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Atty. Docket No. 9116-392 (P&G Case 8435L)  
Amdt. Dated 11/ 10 /2004  
Reply to Office Action of 07/20/2004  
Customer No. 27752

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 09/778,652  
Applicant(s) : Vladimir Gartstein et al.  
Filed : February 7, 2001  
Title : Noninvasive Methods And Apparatus For Monitoring At  
Least One Hair Characteristic  
TC/A.U. : 2612  
Examiner : Gary Vieaux  
Conf. No. : 5486  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER 1<sup>ST</sup> OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111(c)**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action of July 20, 2004, the time for response being extended by one month, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows, consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. Attached hereto is a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time, and the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(a), providing for a timely response up to and including November 22, 2004 (November 20, 2004 falls on a Saturday).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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*Amendments to the Specification* begin on page 3 of this paper. In addition, the Abstract has been amended and provided on a separate sheet (see attachment following page 11 of this paper).

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 4 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 9 of this paper.